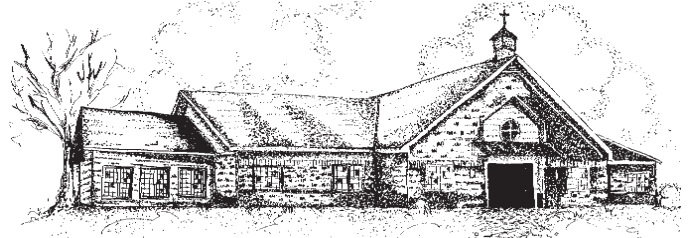


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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday evening: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday morning: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

DAILY MASSES:

Monday at 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. during Lent
First Friday at 8:00 a.m.
First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

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Saturday, 3/9	4:00 p.m.	Allen Curran Sr., by Joyce Curran
Sunday, 3/10	8:30 a.m.	Parish Family
	11:00 a.m.	Deacon Bob Killoren by Barb VanHoose
Monday	8:00 a.m.	Fred Ouweleen by Suzanne & Phil Scherer
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Rita Andrews by Bill & Margie Andrews
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Angela Bosarge by the Kilcher Family
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Mary & James Wagner by Leo & Suzanne Fox
Friday		No Mass
Saturday, 3/16	4:00 p.m.	Steve Heughebart by Pat Heughebart
Sunday, 3/17	8:30 a.m.	Rose Vitale by Family
	11:00 a.m.	Parish Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 10th – Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
 Monday, March 11th – Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
 Tuesday, March 12th – Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
 Wednesday, March 13th – Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
 Thursday, March 14th – Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
 Friday, March 15th – Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
 Saturday, March 16th – Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
 Sunday, March 17th – Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

MARCH 10, 2019 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Eucharistic Ministers:	Saturday, 4:00 p.m. *Dawn Bass, Vicky Maynard, Karen Rose, NEED VOLUNTEER	Sunday, 8:30 a.m. *Mark Holland, Brenda Murdock, Donna Kashuk, Regina Pasini	Sunday, 11:00 a.m. *Mike & Corinna Rush, Joe & Diane Green
Lectors:	Dave Bogner, Vale Pelletier	Warren Butt, Kelley Krstich	Barb VanHoose, Isaiah Rush
Servers:	Jolene Bogner, Stephanie Rose	M. & M. Krstich, A. Holland	Isaac & Alex Rush
Greeters:	Rick Bass, Margee Easterday	Tim & Jennifer Williams	Mike & Lora Dunfee
Cantors:	Betsy Jesencko	Joe Lindsay	Greg Chester

MARCH 17, 2019 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Eucharistic Ministers:	Saturday, 4:00 p.m. *Chris Smith, Kathleen Locker, Jared Lahmon, Mike Haefs	Sunday, 8:30 a.m. *Michael Robbins, Tom Stanearth, Bubby & Roberta Eichner	Sunday, 11:00 a.m. *Melissa Collard, Carrie Suess, Danielle Wetzel, Sally Blubaugh
Lectors:	Aaron Locker, Amy Lahmon	Ali Stanearth, Adele Robbins	Mike Dunfee, Alyssa Beverick
Servers:	Bryce Writesel	S. Bevier, B. & N. Stanearth	C. & T. Beverick
Greeters:	Jan Orkis, Merle Smith	Rodney & Cindy Tornes	Kathy Stafford, Janet McKenzie
Cantors:	Melissa Jungers	Andrea Holland	Valerie Tanner

Tuesday, March 12, 2019 – LISTENING SESSION on the Sex Abuse Crisis in the Church. Late last summer, I addressed the sexual abuse crisis in the Church in a couple of my homilies. Recently in Rome, Pope Francis met with leaders of Bishops' Conferences worldwide to address this issue with more intensity. Before long, our diocese will release a list of priests who have abused children and young people going back many years. Several parishes in our diocese have had listening sessions, following a guide format, that have seemed to help a number of people express themselves on this topic. I would like to have such a listening session here at Church of the Ascension on Tuesday, March 12, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. It's a time to listen to one another and to end the evening in prayer. This session is open to everyone. Fr. Ghiloni

YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

Our prayers this week are asked for Kathy Mann, Bob Meholick, Ron Gallo, Nick Gallo, Pat Keyes, Jerry Cope & Family, Sutton Parish, Jean Giannini, Kenneth Speert, Bridgette Wells, Helen Tomich, Daniel Chapman, Pam Boesch & Family, Donna Dellapina, Sylvia Freed, Neva Stover, Jack Walsh and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Spring Cleanup – St. Joseph, Resurrection, Holy Cross and Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemeteries will begin removing wintertime decorations beginning March 4th, weather permitting. Families are advised to remove any personal keepsakes they wish to retain as soon as possible.

Knox/Licking Vocations Club will be meeting on Tuesday, March 12th at St. Leonard's in Heath. Please come join us for lunch and speaker, Fr. Ty Thomson from St. Bernadette in Lancaster. Lunch is at noon and the cost is \$5.00. The money we receive goes to support and encourage priests, religious and seminarians. Help us support vocations. Questions, call Debby at 366-6924.

Many thanks to all who participated in the **PAMPERED CHEF FUNDRAISER** to help our **YOUTH GROUP** to raise funds in order to attend The National Catholic Youth Conference later this summer.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD – WEEKLY NEED \$5,233.00

March 2/3, 2019

468 Registered Families – Total Offering – \$6,240.50

Offering from 121 Sunday envelopes – \$5,867.50

Loose Cash – \$373.00

Catholic Times – \$115.00

Do you return a portion of your time/skills/possessions to God in a spirit of gratitude?

This weekend is the collection for Black and Indian Missions. It exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Lenten Challenge: "Listen to Catholic Radio AM 820 this Lent": Try something new this Lent and consider listening to Catholic Radio AM 820! Listening to AM 820 is a good way to deepen your knowledge and love of the Catholic faith. Download the free St. Gabriel Radio mobile app.

LENTEN REFLECTION

"Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me"

Matthew 25:45

A common response to "How are you?" these days is a resounding, "Crazy busy." When we're racing from one activity to another, quality family time dissolves. But in the end, it's all about family. They're the ones that catch you when you fall, guide you when you're lost, and revive hope when you feel like giving up. Don't know where to begin? Start small. Have dinner together and share stories of the day. Dust off the board games. Take a walk, jump rope, or play tag. Enjoy a movie, concert, or a sporting event together. Create memories! The possibilities are endless. Plan a family night. Ride bikes together. Schedule an arts and craft activity. Read a story. It doesn't have to be a major project. All it requires is time together.

Prayer – Dear Jesus, I don't want to look back on my life and say, "I wish..." Help me cherish my family and give them the time they deserve now. Amen.

What are you *doing* during your Lenten Journey? Have you ever considered to *do* something instead of giving something up? What about weaving the Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy into this season? We all know that life is precious, right? Celebrating life with a baby shower is a very special day for a mother, especially one who is experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Praying for this mother and baby and giving her the things she needs for her baby may be an opportunity for you to *do something* this Lent. Even if you don't personally know the expectant mom in need, you can show her the love she longs for by embracing her at her baby shower. Celebrate her, and the life she is holding under her heart, as if you know this woman personally. And remember to bring a gift and have fun! All are welcome to Brittany's Little Flower Baby Shower! **Date: April 6th. Time: 1:30-3:30 p.m.** here at Church of the Ascension. Registry link is www.amazon.com/baby-reg/3U4PX64EEHBED.

LENTEN PROGRAM – LONGING FOR THE HOLY

Beginning on Wednesday, March 13th, Mass will begin at 6:00 p.m., followed by a **Soup Supper at 6:30 p.m.** and then a **program from 7:00-8:15 p.m.** The first Wednesday program will be presented by our parishioners who went to the Holy Land in November, Carrie Suess, Mike Haefs and Dan and Susan Townsend. The following Wednesdays of Lent will be a program presented by Fr. Ghiloni entitled, "Longing for the Holy – Spirituality for Everyday Life." This book (program) is based on insights of Fr. Ronald Rolheiser, O.M.I. in his book entitled, "The Holy Longing." There are actually 12 sessions in this program so it will extend into the Easter Season, as well. There is a cost of \$20.00 for the book. If you would like to attend the program, please email office at ascensionjohnstown@gmail.com or call the office at 740-967-7871, so we can order the appropriate number of books. **Deadline is Monday, March 11th**, to get your book order in.

The annual Lenten **Fish Fry** will take place each of the Fridays of Lent through April 12th. **PLEASE NOTE: HOURS ARE 4:30-7:00 p.m.** Dinners include: fish, baked potatoes or fries, coleslaw, bun, dessert and drink. Cost: Adults, \$9.00, children 12 and under, \$6.00. If you would like to donate a dessert, please contact Robbi Eichner at 967-5891.

